

POUTERIA MALACCENSIS (SAPOTACEAE), NEW TO THAILAND

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ABSTRACT

Pouteria malaccensis (C.B. Clarke) Baehni, previously known from Malaysia and Sumatra through to New Guinea, is reported from southern Thailand.

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My study of the Sapotaceae for the Flora of Thailand has revealed the occurrence of *Pouteria malaccensis* (C.B. Clarke) Baehni in Thailand, where it has not hitherto been reported. Both of the collections were made in Klong Na Ka Wildlife Sanctuary, Ranong province, as follows: *C. Niyomdham 1244*, 5 Nov. 1986 (E,L) and *C. Niyomdham, R. Kubat, & W. Aajchomphoo 1441*, 18 Mar. 1987 (BKF,E,L).

Pouteria malaccensis has been collected in relative abundance in Peninsular Malaysia, Sumatra, Riau, Lingga, Sulawesi, and New Guinea (Herrmann-Erlee & Royen 1957; Ng 1972). The nearest known collections to the Ranong locality have been made about 600 kilometers to the south in Pulau Penang, Peninsular Malaysia.

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